## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

## I.      STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS

Claims 1-23 are currently pending. Claims 1, 8-10, and 16-23 are independent.

## II.     REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 7,295,752 to Jain, et al. (hereinafter, merely, "Jain")

## III.    RESPONSE TO REJECTIONS

Claim 1 recites, *inter alia*:

"...a metadata notation format identification block for identifying a notation format of metadata written in a predetermined language;

a conversion table selection block for selecting a conversion table corresponding to said identified notation format of said metadata from among one or more conversion tables prepared in advance;

a metadata notation format conversion block for converting said notation format of said metadata into a notation format

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> compatible with said video signal processing apparatus on
> the basis of said selected conversion table; and
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> a processing control block for controlling processing
> associated with said video signal on the basis of said
> metadata whose notation format has been converted.
> (emphasis added)

Applicants respectfully submit that *Jain* does not disclose or suggest the above-identified features of claim 1. .

Specifically, Applicants submit that the following cited portions of *Jain*, specifically, column 8, lines 42-57 and Figure 9, element 560, are used to anticipate each and every feature of claim 1. Applicants submit such rejection is inappropriate.

> During metadata capture, the user may mark video clips
> and annotate them. This input 552 is captured by the GUI
> Input Capture element 550. Event monitoring 540 and
> 45 dispatch 544 also occurs during capture, driven by an Event
> Dictionary 542. Finally, when capture is complete, the
> metadata may be output in a variety of formats such as
> Virage Data Format (VDF) 562, HTML 564, XML 566,
> SMIL 568 and other 570, which are managed by the Output
> 50 Filter Manager 560. A VDF API and Toolkit may be licensed
> from Virage of San Mateo, Calif. Furthermore, the use of the
> format is described in "Virage VDF Toolkit Programmer's
> Reference". One reference for the eXtensible Mark-up Lan-
> guage (XML) is the following URL: http://www.w3.org/TR/
> 55 REC-xml which is a subpage for the W3C. Also, information
> on Synchronized Multimedia Integration Language (SMIL)
> may be accessed at the W3C site.

*Jain* teaches that the "metadata may be output in a variety of formats such as

Virage Data Fromat (VDF) 562 , HTML 564 , XML 566 , SMIL 568 and other 570 , which are

managed by the Output Filter Manager 560."

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Applicants submit that such disclosure does not anticipate the "metadata notation format identification block for identifying a notation format of metadata written in a predetermined language", the "conversion table selection block for selecting a conversion table corresponding to said identified notation format of said metadata", the "metadata notation format conversion block for converting said notation format of said metadata into a notation format compatible with said video signal processing apparatus on the basis of said selected conversion table", AND "a processing control block for controlling processing associated with said video signal on the basis of said metadata whose notation format has been converted", as recited in claim 1.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 1 is allowable. For the same, or similar reasons, the other independent claims 8-10 and 16-23 are also allowable.


## IV.    DEPENDENT CLAIMS

The other claims are dependent from one of the independent claims discussed above, and are therefore believed patentable for at least the same reasons. Since each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, however, the individual reconsideration of the patentability of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

Similarly, because Applicants maintain that all claims are allowable for at least the reasons presented hereinabove, in the interests of brevity, this response does not comment on each and every comment made by the Examiner in the Office Action. This should not be taken

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as acquiescence of the substance of those comments, and Applicants reserve the right to address
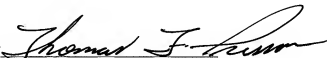
such comments.


## CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the

claims remaining in this application are patentable and Applicants respectfully request early

passage to issue of the present application.

In the event the Examiner disagrees with any of the statements appearing above

with respect to the disclosures in the cited reference or references, it is respectfully requested that

the Examiner specifically indicate those portion or portions of the reference or references,

providing the basis for a contrary view.

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